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In re Application of
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Application No.: 09/117,795
PCT No.: PCT/JP97/00544
Int. Filing Date: 26 February 1997
Priority Date: 07 March 1996
Attorney's Docket No.: CU-1758 RJS
For: RELEASANT FOR AQUEOUS
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This application is before the PCT Legal Office for consideration of matters under 35 U.S.C. 371.

BACKGROUND

On 06 February 1997, applicant filed international application PCT/JP97/00544, which claimed priority of an earlier Japanese application filed 07 March 1996. A copy of the international application was communicated to the United States Patent and Trademark Office from the International Bureau on 12 September 1997. A Demand for international preliminary examination, in which the United States was elected, was filed on 22 September 1997, prior to the expiration of nineteen months from the priority date. Accordingly, the thirty-month period for paying the basic national fee in the United States expired at midnight on 07 September 1998.

On 13 August 1998, applicant filed a transmittal letter for entry into the national stage in the United States, which was accompanied by, inter alia, the requisite basic national fee as required by 35 U.S.C. 371(c)(1).

Applicant has not filed an English translation of the international application. Therefore, applicant is required to submit the translation accompanied by the processing fee for submitting the translation later than 30 months from the priority date as required by 37 CFR 1.492(f).

Applicant has not filed an oath or declaration. Therefore, applicant is required to submit an oath or declaration accompanied by the surcharge for filing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the priority date as required by 37 CFR 1.492(e).

CONCLUSION

The English translation of the international application, the surcharge, an oath or declaration and the surcharge noted above **MUST** be submitted within **ONE (1) MONTH** from the date of this decision. **FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Box PCT, Washington, D.C. 20231, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the PCT Legal Office.



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